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SUBJECT: FY 1975 BANKING LEADERS TOUR

REF: (A) STATE 277127, DECEMBER 18, 1974

(B) LAGOS A-257, DEC. 2, 1974

1. MEA RESPONSE DELAYED BY UNCERTAINTIES ARISING FROM REVISED FMG PROCEDURES RE GOVERNMENT GRANTEES BUT MISSION HAS NOW RECEIVED MEA ENDORSEMENT FOR TWO MINISTRY OF FINANCE OFFICIALS TO TRAVEL TO U.S. UNDER SUBJECT GRANT. NEITHER OF OUR PRINCIPAL CANDIDATES, FASEKU OR OJO, RECEIVED ENDORSEMENT.

2. IN FASEKUS CASE, FMG DECISION APPARENTLY NOT BASED ON PERCEIVED LACK OF MERIT BUT ON PREFERENCE FOR MINISTRY CANDIDATES OVER CENTRAL BANK CANDIDATES. REF. B. ALTERNATE OSAKUE OF CENTRAL BANK ALSO FAILED RECEIVE FMG APPROVAL.

3. ALTERNATE MINISTRY OF FINANCE CANDIDATE (REF.B) ENODIEN APPROVED OVER PRINCIPAL, OJO, WHO WAS DROPPED FROM GOVERNMENT CONSIDERATION WHEN LATTER TERMINATED EMPLOYMENT WITH MINISTRY FINANCE. THIS SUITED US WELL BECAUSE OJOS DEPARTURE FROM MINISTRY REMOVED REASONS WHICH HAD LED US TO SELECT HIM. IN HIS PLACE MINISTRY HAS NOMINATED HIS SUCCESSOR, MR. E.O. EFFIONG. EFFIONG IS WELL-QUALIFIED CANDIDATE WHOM MISSION ENDORSES WHOLEHEARTEDLY.

4. FULL BIODATA ON EFFIONG FOLLOWS SEPTEL. REQUEST DEPT. REWRITE BOTH GRANTS. PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS ALSO FOLLOW LATER.

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5. PROPOSE

PRIL 5 OR 02 ETA FOR GRANTEES, DEPENDING ON  
PROGRAM AGENCY CONCURRENCE.

6. ADVISE.

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